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Council/PH Committee (*) PublicHearing

Agenda Item (*) Support to the Amendment to the Grants In Aid Bill 13 page 29 of 35 to provide Grant in Aid funding to Surfrider Spirit Sessions

Your position on the matter (*) Support

Representing (*) Organization

Organization Surfrider spirit sessions

Do you wish to speak at the hearing? (*) No

Written Testimony

Re: Support to the Amendment to the Grants In Aid Bill 13 page 29 of 35 to provide Grant in Aid funding to Surfrider Spirit Sessions Dear Members of the City Council: I am writing to support the Amendment to the Grants In Aid Bill 13 page 29 of 35 to provide Grant in Aid funding to Surfrider Spirit Sessions. I worked with Surfrider Spirit Sessions for several years and have first hand experience working with the teenagers who go through this program. I fully believe that this program fills the gap that other programs and services in Hawaii cannot provide. The program gives at-risk teenagers the ability to learn and benefit from one-on-one mentorship and also learn that surfing

can be used as a metaphor for life's lessons. I have seen some of the graduates, several years later , now, and they are productive members of society. This is a very strong program that needs to be supported and continued. Thank you and aloha Dr Benjamin Vine

**Testimony
Attachment**

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